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SUBJECT: APPLICATION FOR TREATMENT AT POLENOV INSTITUTE:  
MICHAEL JINES (CONGRESSMAN PAUL SIMON INTEREST CASE)

REF: LETTER BUCHANAN TO UGRYUMOV NOV. 15, 1977

1. POST RECEIVED LETTER FROM A.A. ASATURYAN ON MICHAEL JINES' APPLICATION FOR TREATMENT AT POLENOV INSTITUTE. LETTER WHICH WAS BACKDATED TO FEBRUARY 21, 1978 AND NUMBERED 5/9-73 SUGGESTS MR. JINES UNDERGO ADDITIONAL TESTS IN US CLINIC; LETTER FURTHER SUGGESTS MR. JINES OBTAIN SURGICAL TREATMENT IN U.S.A. IF SURGERY IS INDICATED BY SUCH TESTS.

2. UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION FOLLOWS (ORIGINAL POUCHED DEPARTMENT):

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CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE USA IN LENINGRAD

DEAR MR. BUCHANAN:

THE MEDICAL DOCUMENTS OF MICHAEL JINES WERE STUDIED THOROUGHLY BY THE SPECIALISTS OF LENINGRAD'S POLENOV RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF NEUROSURGERY.

THE SPECIALISTS CONSIDER THAT IT IS DIFFICULT TO RENDER ANY JUDGEMENT JUST ON THE GROUNDS OF MEDICAL RECORDS, WITHOUT PERSONAL EXAMINATION OF A PATIENT, ON THE FORM AND GRAVITY OF THE DAMAGE OF THE SPINAL COLUMN AND SPINAL CORD AND TO GIVE CONCRETE RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO FURTHER TREATMENT, ESPECIALLY SURGICAL TREATMENT.

THE CONSULTANTS OF THE INSTITUTE RECOMMEND THAT MR. JINES APPLY TO A LEADING NEUROSURGICAL CLINIC IN THE USA FOR COMPREHENSIVE TESTS, INCLUDING THE TEST ON THE STATE OF C.S.F. PATHWAY (C.S.F. DYNAMIC TEST, MYELOGRAPHIA, C.S.F. TEST AND OTHERS).

IF ON THE BASIS OF THE RESULTS OF ADDITIONAL TESTS, AMERICAN SPECIALISTS CONSIDER THAT SURGERY IS ADVISABLE FOR MR. JINES, THE SPECIALISTS OF OUR INSTITUTE ARE OF THE OPINION THAT IT CAN BE DONE IN ONE OF THE CLINICS IN THE U.S.A.

I REGRET THAT DUE TO CIRCUMSTANCES BEYOND OUR CONTROL, WE WERE NOT ABLE TO GIVE A TIMELY REPLY TO YOUR LETTER.

WITH DEEP RESPECT  
A.A. ASATURYAN  
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